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PRESS ADVISORY AND CONFERENCE

JAMES B. COMEY, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, PASQUALE J. D'AMURO, Assistant Director in Charge of the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI"), and others will hold a joint press conference today, November 19, 2003, at 11:00 AM to announce the filing of criminal charges against 47 defendants. The arrests of many of the suspects were made after an 18-month undercover investigation, dubbed "Operation Wooden Nickel," and principally involve a variety of alleged criminal conduct in the foreign exchange markets.

DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2003

TIME: 11:00 A.M.

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